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Professor Raymond Aron Political Sciences University of Paris, Sorbonne Paris, France

Dear Professor Aron,

In view of the fact that we come from such different disciplines I have been full of astonishment and admiration that our interests and our views should coincide at so many points. I wanted to thank you particularly for your little book on progress and disillusion which I found extraordinarily helpful in crystallizing my own thoughts on the dilemas of modern times.

Under separate cover I will be sending you some writings on topics that may be of mutual interest. The only thing that I would ask of you in return, if you can conveniently provide it, would be a bibliographic list of your own writings.

I know that my colleagues at the Center for Advanced Studies in the Behavioral Sciences have made several inquiries to you in the past about the possibility of your spending some future year. In the light of a new program on science, technology and society which we are mounting there, I can add little new substance but certainly some additional warmth to such a concept.

Sincerely yours

Joshua Lederberg

Professor of Genetics

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